PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

MATSUO, et al.

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For: PURIFICATION CATALYST FOR EXHAUST GAS, PRODUCTION METHOD THEREFOR, AND PURIFICATION CATALYST EQUIPMENT FOR EXHAUST GAS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to initial examination of the application, please amend the above-identified application as shown on the following pages.